

By 53 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 151), Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2024. **Pages S4574–75**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 56 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 150), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S4574–75**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Craig Duehring, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Gregory Autry, of California, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Robert E. Primus, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2022.

Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for the remainder of the term expiring January 3, 2021.

Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term expiring January 3, 2026.

Mark C. Christie, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

Allison Clements, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2024.

Douglas Macgregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary of State (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights). **Page S4597**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Robert E. Primus, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2023, which was sent to the Senate on July 21, 2020. **Page S4597**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—151) **Pages S4563, S4572, S4575**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4597.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's semi-annual report to Congress, including S. 3975, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to provide for whistleblower incentives and protection, after receiving testimony from Kathleen L. Kraninger, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

SEAFOOD SECTOR

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine building a stronger and more resilient seafood sector, after receiving testimony from Paul Doremus, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Leann Bosarge, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, Tampa, Florida; Cora Campbell, North Pacific Fishery Management Council, Anchorage, Alaska; and Philip Anderson, Pacific Fishery Management Council, Portland, Oregon.

REMOTE WORKING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine lessons learned from remote working during COVID-19, focusing on if the government can maximize use of leased space, after receiving testimony from Michael T. Benjamin, California Air Resources Board Air Quality Planning and Science Division, Sacramento; Mark Pringle, Dell Technologies, Round Rock, Texas; and Kate Lister, Global Workplace Analytics, Carlsbad, California.

WTO REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine WTO reform, focusing on making global rules work for global challenges, after receiving testimony from Jennifer A. Hillman, Council on Foreign Relations, Thomas R. Graham, Cassidy Levy Kent, Laura J. Lane, UPS, Joseph W. Glauber, International Food Policy Research Institute, and Michele

Kuruc, World Wildlife Fund, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Natalie E. Brown, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, Sandra E. Clark, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, William Ellison Grayson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Joseph Manso, of New York, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Richard M. Mills, Jr., of Texas, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, Henry T. Wooster, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, William W. Popp, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala, Aldona Z. Wos, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to Canada, C.J. Mahoney, of Kansas, to be Legal Adviser, Leora Rosenberg Levy, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, Carlos Trujillo, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary (Western Hemisphere Affairs), Lisa S. Kenna, of Vermont, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, Marshall Billingslea, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, and promotion lists in the Foreign Service, all of the Department of State, Jason Myung-lk Chung, of Virginia, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, J. Steven Dowd, of Florida, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and Ramsey Coats Day, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Jenny A. McGee, of Texas, to be an Associate Administrator, both of the of the United States Agency for International Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2165, to enhance protections of Native American tangible cultural heritage, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2610, to reauthorize certain programs under the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs of the

Department of Energy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2716, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, with an amendment;

S. 2891, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish Tribal Wildlife Corridors;

S. 2912, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land located in Pinal County, Arizona, into trust for the benefit of the Gila River Indian Community;

S. 3019, to protect access to water for all Montanans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3044, to amend the American's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 to expand the Indian reservation drinking water program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3099, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska;

S. 3100, to convey land in Anchorage, Alaska, to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3650, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to deem employees of urban Indian organizations as part of the Public Health Service for certain purposes, with an amendment; and

S. 3948, to amend the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act to extend the deadline for a report by the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children.

BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION SCHOOLS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine how to safely reopen Bureau of Indian Education schools, focusing on preparing to head back to class, after receiving testimony from Tony L. Dearman, Director, Bureau of Indian Education, Department of the Interior; Marita Hinds, National Indian Education Association, Washington, D.C.; and David Yarlott, American Indian Higher Education Consortium, Alexandria, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of J. Philip Calabrese, and James Ray Knepp II, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, and Michael Jay Newman, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, who were all introduced by Senator Portman, Aileen Mercedes Cannon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of

Florida, and Toby Crouse, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, who was introduced by Senators Roberts and Moran, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

VA TELEHEALTH

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs telehealth during and beyond COVID-19, focusing on challenges and opportunities in rural America, after receiving testimony from Kameron Matthews, Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Community Care, Kevin Galpin, Executive Director of Telehealth Services, and Thomas Klobucar, Executive Director, Office of Rural Health, all of the Veterans Health Administration, and Eddie Pool, Executive Director,

Solution Delivery, IT Operations and Services, Office of Information and Technology, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Christopher C. Miller, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 48 public bills, H.R. 7805–7855; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 1068–1070, were introduced. **Pages H3978–80**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3982–83**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1067, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7617) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–461);

H.R. 5119, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require certain air carriers to provide reports with respect to maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–462);

H.R. 5139, to protect transportation personnel and passengers from sexual assault and harassment, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–463, Part 1); and

H.R. 5912, to amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of incentive payments to expedite certain federally financed airport development projects (H. Rept. 116–464). **Page H3978**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3883**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H3888**

Unanimous Consent Agreement—Consideration of H.R. 7575: Agreed by unanimous consent that debate under clause 1(c) of rule XV on the motion to suspend the rules relating to H.R. 7575 be extended to one hour. **Page H3927**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Sami's Law: H.R. 4686, amended, to amend title 23, United States Code, to compel States to require illuminated signs and other measures on ride-hailing vehicles, to prohibit the sale of such signs, to require ride-hailing companies to implement an electronic access system on ride-hailing vehicles; **Pages H3921–27**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To require ride-hailing companies to implement an enhanced digital system to verify passengers with their authorized ride-hailing vehicles and drivers.".

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Water Resources Development Act of 2020: H.R. 7575, amended, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources. **Pages H3927–62**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:12 p.m. and reconvened at 3:23 p.m. **Page H3962**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:18 p.m. and reconvened at 4:26 p.m. **Page H3963**

Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2021—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 1067, providing for consideration of the